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RCMP take suspect into custody

BY PAUL FREY
 MVP Staff

Didsbury RCMP took a suspect into custody at about 1:30 p.m. on April 2 after executing a search warrant on a property on 24th Street.

About 30 officers from Didsbury and Olds, members of the RCMP's Emergency Response Team and Alberta Law Enforcement Response Team attended the location at 9 a.m. in order to execute the warrant.

After a four-and-a-half hour standoff, Corey Freeborn, 32, of Didsbury, was taken into custody and charged with failing to comply with a recognizance, theft of mail before delivery, unauthorized possession of mail, seven counts of possession of stolen property under \$5,000, three counts of breach of a firearms prohibition, possession of a firearm and possession of a firearm with readily accessible ammunition.

Police set up barricades at several locations along 15th Avenue near the Redeemer Lutheran Church during the incident.

When the Review attended near the scene, six loud bangs could be heard coming from the area south of 15th Avenue at about 12:45 p.m.

Sgt. Kimberley Pasloske of the Didsbury RCMP later said that she couldn't confirm the type of weapons that were deployed at that moment, but did say that police did not use gunfire.

The RCMP sent out a notice as the event unfolded, via the town's mobile app and website, informing area residents to stay indoors, lock all doors and windows and for people to stay away from the area.

Pasloske said this was done in the interests of public and officer safety, and to dispel rumours that it was a police exercise or a film shoot. Pasloske said she thought the cooperation with the town worked well in this instance.

"Police are executing a search warrant on 24 Street and 13 Avenue," the notice

read. "Please avoid the area."

"The issue was that the residents of Didsbury believed that there was a film shoot upcoming, and may have thought this was a film shoot that they could go look at," Pasloske said following the conclusion of the incident. "Obviously we did not want that to happen."

Westglen School also sent a notice to parents that due to the situation, students were kept inside at morning recess and lunch hour.

"We wanted to be vigilant until that situation was resolved," the letter, from principal Carolyn Massel, said. "Safety is our number 1 priority at all Chinook's Edge schools and we always take our direction from the RCMP in these matters. Although they indicated there was not a general threat to the community and there was no danger to our school, we thought it prudent to stay indoors."

Marjorie Malinowski, who lives in the area, posted what she saw on Facebook.

"It was pretty dramatic to see the Swat team and all the men and women dressed in their tactical outfits and to be able to actually hear some of the goings on. The RCMP did their jobs. They keep everyone calm and safe. The situation ended without any injuries or deaths. I'm proud of the job the men and women of the RCMP did and continue to do every day especially in this day and age with all the nutcases they deal with every day."

Witnesses say the man's family pleaded over a loudspeaker for him to surrender to police.

Others tried to reach him through Facebook.

"... just give yourself up no need for this (expletive) bro I don't want to see you go out like this," reads a Denim Weston post about two hours into the standoff.

Police had numerous vehicles parked at the Redeemer Lutheran Church during the incident, using it as a staging area to fan out to the adjacent streets.



Noel West/MVP Staff
 An RCMP Emergency Response Team member fires tear gas into a house on 24th Street between 13th and 15th avenues in Didsbury on April 2 during a situation that arose after police attempted to execute a search warrant.

Noel West/MVP Staff
 RCMP Emergency Response Team members clear out of a residence on 24th Street between 13th and 15th avenues in Didsbury on April 2 after taking a suspect into custody. The situation arose after police attempted to execute a search warrant.



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PIANO MAN — Hunter Jackson performs Sonata in G Major, Op. 214, No. 3 by Cornelius Gurliitt during the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival Grand Concert at the TransCanada Theatre on March 31.



Noel West/MVP Staff

CLASSICAL GUITAR — Lauren Ward performs Mary Hamilton, a classical guitar piece, during the Olds and District Kiwanis Music Festival Grand Concert at the TransCanada Theatre on March 31.

T.V. series Fargo to film in Didsbury

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Fargo Productions Inc. will be in town filming portions of the second season of *Fargo*, the series, from April 9 to 13.

As a result, some parking restrictions and traffic control will be in place during the days of filming on April 9, 10 and 13.

During filming, the cast will also be

carrying prop guns.

"Please be assured that we have all the appropriate permits and qualifications for the weapons to be used," a statement from the production company said. "Should any ammunition be fired, the sounds may be quite loud and realistic. Please be assured these are blank rounds, and all safety measures will be taken. The RCMP are aware we are filming."

On April 9, the main film location

will be at the Didsbury Inn. Some parking restrictions and traffic detours may take place along 19th and 20th avenues. On April 10 and 13, the Didsbury hospital will be the main scene of filming, and traffic detours and parking restrictions may also be in place during that day. Filming will run from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. each day.

"Should you come across a No Parking area or detour situation, we ask you to please abide by the post-

ed signs and/or traffic controllers' instructions. These closures and parking restrictions are in place for public and crew safety, as well as to help us achieve the 1970s look of our show," the statement said.

The statement also said that because the crew will consist of about 130 people and several large vehicles, the parking restrictions are needed to allow the large vehicles to move around safely.

Local candidates have differing views on budget

BY JOSEPH HO
MVP Staff

Two Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills candidates have differing takes on the provincial budget.

Wildrose candidate Nathan Cooper calls it the "death of the Alberta advantage."

Cooper, who currently serves as a councillor for the Town of Carstairs, said the four cent increase per litre to the gas tax hurts farmers disproportionately.

"This budget is basically a direct attack on rural Albertans, particularly in the form of the gas tax," he said. "Who drives more than rural Albertans and particularly our farmers? This is going to

cost our producers thousands of dollars per year in the fuel tax alone."

Finance Minister Robin Campbell tabled his first budget last week and it includes a number of new revenue streams including: a progressive income tax, health-care premiums for those who earn more than \$50,000 and new fees for tobacco, alcohol and gas.

Some of the cuts have included \$370 million from Alberta Health Services. School boards must also reduce non-teaching costs by three per cent. Post-secondary operating grants are being cut 1.4 per cent this year and 2.7 per cent the next.

The Jim Prentice govern-

ment says it needs to shift away from using oil money to fund core services, as slumping crude prices have left an estimated \$7-billion revenue shortfall.

This budget features a \$5-billion deficit for 2015 and a surplus is forecasted for 2017-18.

Campbell had said in the legislature that Alberta remains the lowest tax jurisdiction in the country.

Wade Bearchell, the riding's Progressive Conservative party candidate, touted the budget, saying that combined with tax credits for low-income families, cuts will not impact front line services.

"They didn't want to see just an absolute gutting of the

public sector, whether that was through Alberta Health Services, which they eliminated some administrative positions which I think they needed to do," Bearchell said.

"I think the premier made it clear on Tuesday that this was a long-term plan. It had a vision and I thought the premier's speech on Tuesday showed great leadership and the budget had to be a very difficult one to prepare."

Cooper did not reject wholesale the notion that the government has a revenue problem but criticized the PC party's past spending.

In 2013-14, Alberta spent \$1,300 more per capita than the national average on services.

"If (they) had good management over the last number of years, we wouldn't need these massive tax increases. We are here today because this government has mismanaged our resources and oil revenues go up and down. We needed to be prepared for today and we weren't."

If the two political rivals could agree on anything, it's that an election is imminent, though neither could say when the writ will be dropped.

"I don't have any inside information to provide but it certainly looks like we're gearing up for an election," Bearchell said. "The premier wants a mandate from everybody in Alberta."

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High school exceeds provincial average in many exam results

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Students at Didsbury High School (DHS) exceeded the provincial average for diploma exams that were written in January.

The results follow a pattern that has been established over the past few years, says Garth Dagg, the school's principal. During the latest round of exams, the school was on par with the provincial average for students getting 50 per cent or better on Math 30. In each of the Social 30, Biology 30 and English 30 exams, the number of DHS students who achieved a 50 per cent

mark was at least the same as the provincial average while in some of those exams, up to 20 per cent more DHS students achieved that level than did the provincial average of students.

Up to 20 per cent more DHS students achieved a mark of 80 per cent or better on diploma exams than the provincial average.

"More of our kids reached the acceptable level, which means they passed their diploma (exams) compared to provincial average," Daggs said. "And that ranges from one per cent more in a class all the way up to 12 per cent more kids in

a class passing their diploma (exam) than the provincial average."

Dagg said for him, he still measures the success of the school's student body on academic performance. And these results show that DHS students and staff remain committed to rigorous scholastic studies.

"Whether it's passing the diploma (exams) or earning the diploma, our goal is really to have students, when they leave this school ... situated well in the province for competing for spots at post-secondary (institutions). A lot of those (programs) use marks as their criteria, so to

me, it's really important that when our students graduate here, they're in a position to be accepted for those seats," he said.

Dagg said having an experienced teaching staff and students and parents that value academic excellence has paid off for students.

"We're really happy that our students can stay in rural Alberta here and still compete with the rest of the province," he said.

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Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in Council Chambers at the Town Office.

FARGO YEAR TWO

Dear Residents of the Town of Didsbury;

Fargo S2 Productions Inc. and FX are producing the second season of FARGO the Series and will be filming in your area on Thursday April 9, Friday April 10, and Monday April 13, 2015.

'FARGO' is a television series inspired by the award-winning Coen Brothers film of the same name. Although not focusing on the events and characters from the original movie, this story will take place in the same universe as the 1996 cult classic. The Emmy and Golden Globe award winning first season of FARGO is now available on DVD/Blu-Ray. We are currently working to have copies available at your local library.

On **Thursday April 9**, our primary filming location is at the Didsbury Inn (2019 19 Avenue). During this time, you may experience parking restrictions and intermittent traffic control along 19 Avenue and 20 Avenue.

On **Friday April 10 and Monday April 13**, our primary filming location is at the Didsbury Health Centre - Unit 3 (1210 20 Avenue). During this time you may experience parking restrictions along 21 Avenue and intermittent traffic control and/or detouring along 20 Avenue.

Should you come across a No Parking area or Detour situation, we ask that you please abide by the posted signs and/or traffic controllers' instructions. We anticipate that we will be in the area filming from **0600h to 2300h daily**. These closures and parking restrictions are in place for public and crew safety, as well as to help us achieve the 1970's look of our show.

Our crew consists of approximately 130 individuals who are self sustaining. To accomplish this, we do travel with many large vehicles. You may see a large grouping of these vehicles, within the new development off of 23 Street. Our work trucks travel with us, and require extra room to be able to enter and exit parking areas.

The scenes we will be filming on Thursday April 9, Friday April 10 and Monday April 13, 2015 includes characters carrying prop guns. Please be assured that we have all appropriate permits, and qualifications for the weapons to be used. Should any ammunition be fired, the sounds may be quite loud and realistic. Please be assured these are blank rounds, and all safety measures will be taken. The RCMP are aware we are filming.

Didsbury is a fantastic area and you should be proud to show it off to the world. You can look forward to seeing 'FARGO' on the **FX Network**. Please visit www.fxnowcanada.ca/shows/fargo/ for more information on the series, and for more information on how to watch.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact any of the following members of our Location Department:

Matt Palmer, Location Manager (403.804.0425),
 and/or
 Katherine Kidd, Lead Asst Location Manager (403.875.7685).

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Alberta budget likely to impact town

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

The provincial budget that was released in recent weeks is likely to not have as big of an impact on the town as administrators first feared.

The number of grants and the amount of money available to the Town of Didsbury is likely to be down, but not significantly, predicts Roy Brown, the town's chief administrative officer.

Nita Barthalow, the town's chief financial officer, is currently crunching the numbers and will provide an update to council, likely by the middle or end of this month, in order to pass the town's final 2015 budget, Brown said.

No large impact

"Considering the times we are in and the drop in oil prices, I really feel that the municipalities have been treated fairly. Our numbers are down slightly but not significantly," he said. (Barthallow) is looking at the total dollar impact and she feels from what she's seen so far that it's down, but not as much as we were worried that it would be down."

Brown said he's unsure at this point how increases in various fees such as registering and transferring property and other types of levies might impact the town.

Despite earlier fears about the provincial budget and how deep potential cuts might have been, Brown said all indications so far are that the provincial budget won't have a large impact on the mill rate that council will be deliberating in the near future.

"We don't anticipate any increase in municipal taxes," Brown said.

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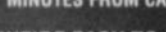
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SPORTS

Three DHS basketball players take part in all-star game

BY PAUL FREY
MVP Staff

Three Didsbury High School (DHS) basketball players competed at the 1A/2A South Central Zone basketball all-star game last week hosted by Olds Koinonia Christian School.

Kyra Paulgaard, Anna Houtman and Kassie Taylor were part of the west squad that beat schools east of Highway 2 by a score of 64-57.

Paulgaard, who made her first appearance at the game, said she had a lot of fun playing despite being unfamiliar with many of her squad mates and their playing styles.

"It was actually really fun because they all knew exactly what they were doing. It kind of took a little while to feel each other out, but it was fun to play," she said, adding that it was also great to play with DHS teammates.

Houtman said she too had a good time playing with players she and the Dragons had played against many times over the last few years. Because the game also featured players from 1A schools as well, the Dragons hadn't played against many of those players much over the years, but that was also a good opportunity.

"It was definitely different than playing with



Noel West/MVP Staff

Didsbury Dragons player Anna Houtman attempts a shot during the 1A / 2A South Central Zone East vs West All-Star game at Olds Koinonia Christian School on March 31. The West team won the game 64-57.

our team, but it was fun since we have played against them since Grade 8," Houtman said.

Taylor said she enjoyed the atmosphere of the game and liked the fact that teammates for this game were normally competitors.

"It was difficult. I felt

a little confused because everybody does something different and we're not used to it, but it got better (as the game progressed) and got more fun," she said. "(Having two Dragons) teammates made it easier. But I also loved playing with everybody else as well."



Noel West/MVP Staff

Didsbury Dragons player Kassie Taylor fights for a rebound during the 1A / 2A South Central Zone East vs West All-Star game at Olds Koinonia Christian School on March 31. The West team won the game 64-57.

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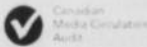
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 memories of the days
 when you were here.
 We hold you close within our hearts,
 And there you will remain,
 Please walk with us throughout our lives,
 Until we meet again.
 Remembering you is easy, we do it every day,
 But missing you is a heartache that never goes away.

Always remembered and sadly missed by
 Ann, Todd, Matt & Tammy

150. Birthdays/Anniversaries



Happy 80th Birthday.
Marjorie Hood

We would like to Wish our Mom a Happy 80th Birthday on April 12.
 Enjoy your Day!
 Faron, Penny, Cameron & Families


130. Coming Events

3025 Didsbury Army Cadets
BOTTLE DRIVE

Didsbury: April 11, 10am-4pm • Carstairs: April 18, 10am-4pm
 Cadets will be coming around to collect your bottles between 10 and 4.
 If you would like to donate bottles on or before the date, please drop
 them off at the bottle depot in both Carstairs and Olds and specify that
 they are for the cadets.

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3350. Wood/Coal/Fuel



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1005. Help Wanted

Didsbury Review
has 4 routes

Route 31
 15 Ave. to 18 Ave.
 between 14 & 16 Street

Route 32
 Walter Place & Mary
 Place

Route 40
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 between 13 & 16 Street

Route 41
 Popular Ridge between
 12 & 14 Street

510. Legal Notices

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 AND CLAIMANTS**

Estate of LAURA KIM SWANSON also
 known as KIM SWANSON who died on
 February 26, 2015.


If you have a claim against this Estate, you
 must file your claim by May 7, 2015 and
 provide details of your claim

with Robert J. Warrender
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If you do not file by the date above, the
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1040. Careers



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1815 - 17 Street



Great 50+ College Green villa, 2 + 1 brdrs, 2 baths, well maintained with some recent upgrades, reasonable HOA fees that cover lawn care, snow removal & town bill.

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758 Stonehaven Dr., Carstairs



Gorgeous executive style home, 1572 sq. ft., tile, hardwood, gas fireplace, vaulted ceiling, main floor laundry, quartz counter tops in gourmet kitchen, oversized double attached garage.

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16 Rosebud Country Estates



Beautiful acreage just outside of Didsbury, 1.41 acres, 1458 sq. ft., fully finished, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, games room, media room, in floor heat, oversized double heated garage, ready to move in.

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4.92 Acres in Bergen Area



1310 sq. ft., fully finished, many recent upgrades inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heating throughout, covered wrap around deck, some outbuildings, some cross fencing.

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37 Sandpiper Drive



3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood, open plan, great basement setup for entertaining, fully fenced, nice subdivision near the high school.

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2.62 Acres of Country Living



1292 sq. ft. home built in 1996, open floor plan, gas fireplace, oak kitchen with island, double attached garage, 40 X 80 quonset, on pavement.

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Unit A, 1322 - 20 Street



Contemporary Condo floor plan, 1900 sq ft of developed living space, very open, 9' ceilings on main, 10' ceilings on lower level, centrally located.

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283 Stonegate Close, Airdrie



Lovely family home, fresh interior paint on main, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, partial basement development, gas fireplace, built in oak wall unit, great location

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10.25 Acres NW of Didsbury



Zoned AG2, ravine view, most of the way on pavement, services at the road.

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2013 - 21 Avenue



1590 sq. ft. 2 storey, some hardwood, has been set up for multiple tenants in the past but would need town approval, located near downtown.

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830 Stonehaven Dr., Carstairs



Brand new 1575 sq. ft. 2 storey, 3 bedrooms plus upper floor den, 2 1/2 baths, hardwood, gas fireplace, large yard backing onto Carstairs golf course.

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3.16 Acres Near Didsbury



1180 sq ft home, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, 18' X 26' heated workshop, 40' X 60' quonset, on pavement, great little hobby farm set-up

\$489,000

71 Southridge Crescent



Great home for first time buyers or revenue property, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, large back yard with deck, fully fenced

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46 Stromsday Gate, Carstairs



Spacious floor plan in this 50+ condo unit, hardwood floors, coffered ceiling in living room, gas fireplace, amazing ensuite, covered rear deck with gas hookup, double garage, close to the golf course.

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55 Southridge Crescent



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12 Goddard Circle, Carstairs



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52 Stromsday Gate, Carstairs



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